

## **23rd Annual Warriors' Path State Park Winter Garden Seminar**

*With Tom Goforth*  
of Crow Dog Native Ferns and Gardens

### **"Native Ferns in the Landscape"**

*Discover how to create a healthy landscape with native ferns. Winter is the perfect time to plan your natural yard & garden!*

#### *About the Guest Speaker:*

Tom Goforth is owner of Crow Dog Native Ferns and Gardens located at the base of the Blue Ridge Escarpment in western South Carolina. For the past 12 years he has commercially grown eastern North American native ferns from spores for gardening and for restoration. Tom conducts fern ecology research from the Carolinas to the Upper Midwest and New England. He has done many workshops, seminars, and field trips at botanical gardens, parks, universities, and conferences about fern ecology, fern propagation, the correlation of plant communities and geology, and landscaping with native ferns. Tom has a BS degree in Geology and an MFA in Visual Arts.

#### *About the Seminar:*

Tom Goforth will teach us the history and elegant life cycle of ferns, the ecological communities of Warrior's Path State Park, and the amazing variety of native ferns that occur in the Park and in the surrounding mountains and ridges. He will present a Friday evening lecture on fern history, life style, and ecology. Then, be sure to return Saturday morning for an in-depth fern workshop. Saturday's workshop will focus on correlating of Kingsport's regional ecology with native ferns, fern species identification and distribution in the specific ecologies of Warrior's Path State Park, and guidelines for landscaping and restoration with native ferns. Because everyone's garden is different, we will also set aside time for answering gardeners' questions.

Plan to spend a brisk winter weekend learning how to create a more beautiful, more natural neighborhood. The seminar will be held at the Recreation Building on Duck Island, at Warriors' Path State Park. Although this event is free and open to all, we do ask that you pre-register if you plan to attend. Note that you can pre-register for either Friday evening, Saturday morning, or both!

**Friday January 20, 7 PM**

**Saturday, January 21, 10 AM**

*For More Information and to Pre-register:*  
Warriors' Path State Park, PO Box 5026  
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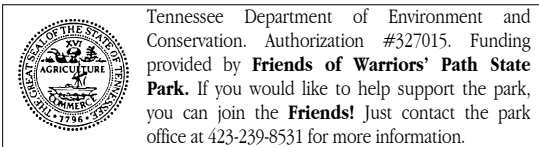
### How to find us:

Warriors' Path State Park is located near Kingsport, Tennessee, in the northeast corner of the state, about 100 miles northeast of Knoxville, Tennessee. We are very close to exit #59 on Interstate 81. From exit #59, travel north 1.4 miles to Hemlock Road and turn right. Follow Hemlock Road 1.6 miles into the park. Once in the park, follow signs to the park's Recreation Building.



For further information, please contact:

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at  
Warriors'  
Path  
State Park  
Kingsport, TN

Fri. and Sat.

January 20-21, 2012

Landscaping with  
Native Ferns

Create a lush green habitat in  
your yard & garden

Guest Speaker:

**Tom Goforth**

Crow Dog Native Ferns and Gardens

Learn to plan your yard and garden to be a better habitat. Your home landscape can be more attractive, and also a healthier place for wildlife and for human life!



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